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98. (Newly Added) The method of claim 76 wherein the printer or copier is a laser printer.

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99. (Newly Added) The method of claim 76 wherein the intact uncut portions engage a face of the single-sheet construction printable sheet.

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100. (Newly Added) The method of claim 76 wherein the substantial-cut lines are all on only one face of the single-sheet construction printable sheet.

Remarks

In the above-mentioned Office Action claims 57-75 were rejected under Section 112, first paragraph. In response thereto, claims 57-75 have been canceled and new claims 76-100 have been added.

Applicant contends that these new claims are patentable over the prior art of record. It is also respectfully submitted that there are no Section 112, first paragraph, problems with these claims for reasons discussed below.

The test of whether the enablement requirement is met is not whether the claims by themselves enable those skilled in the art to practice the invention. Rather, it is whether the entire disclosure in a patent application is sufficient to allow a person skilled in the art to make and use the claimed invention. That is, could a person skilled in the art looking to the entire disclosure successfully make and use the invention of new Claim 76, for example? The answer is an unequivocal "yes." One way is to form the separation lines which are not substantial-cut lines as through-cut lines, as shown in FIGS. 3-6 and described in the corresponding text in the specification. Although the original independent claims as filed do not require through-cut lines, a number of the original dependent claims point out that the weakened separation lines can be through-cut lines. (As one skilled in this art reviewing this disclosure would appreciate, a weakened separation line is one that has been weakened or is weaker than the surrounding material, and a clear example thereof is a through-cut line).

If the Examiner is stating that the art of this invention is such that results are unpredictable whereby a species does not support a broad claim, he is respectfully requested to so state that in his next action if he makes another similar enablement rejection.

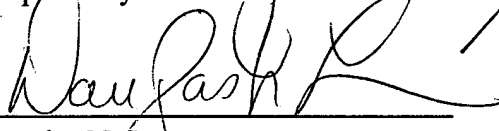
"In cases dealing with predictable factors, such as mechanical or electrical elements, a single embodiment provides broad enablement in the sense that, once imagined, other embodiments can be made without difficulty and their performance characteristics predicated by resort to known scientific laws." In re Fisher, 166 USPQ 18, 24 (CCPA 1970)

Accordingly, it is respectfully contended that the subject application is in condition for early allowance. If there are any remaining issues, the Examiner is encouraged to call counsel to seek to resolve them.

If any fees are due with this submission, the Commissioner is authorized to charge them to Deposit Account Number 16-2230.

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